

Indiana Youth Institute

Organization Description

The Indiana Youth Institute (IYI) is a leading source of information and tools for nonprofit Indiana youth organizations. Founded in 1988, IYI also reaches educators, policymakers, government officials, and others who can impact the lives of Indiana's children and promote healthy youth development in Indiana communities.

Project Description

Through the CCF project, IYI aims to improve the healthy development of Indiana youth by strengthening the capacity of small faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs). IYI will offer free intensive technical assistance, sub-awards, and free training for 18 sub-grantees combined with a broad array of capacity-building services offered to all Indiana youth and family serving organizations.

Geographic Scope of Project The State of Indiana.

Partnering Organizations

- Liaison Network
- Indiana University's Center on Philanthropy Fund Raising School
- Center for Evaluation and Education Policy

Sub-Awards

IYI will provide \$360,000 in subawards in the range of \$15,000 to \$25,000. IYI will select 18 subgrantees—two from each of the nine Indiana Congressional Districts.
Organizations eligible for sub-awards are ones that have programming that addresses CCF priority areas and fits with IYI's mission to promote the healthy development of youth. The funds may be used for any capacity-building purpose that will further the sustainability of the sub-grantee's social service efforts.

Project Objectives

- Expand participation of smaller FBCOs in addressing such CCF priority areas such as atrisk youth, homeless families, children of prisoners, juvenile offenders reentering the community, and juvenile addicts;
- 2. Enhance the quality of their programs;
- Increase fund raising and management competency of these organizations;
- 4. Evaluate/refine the Indiana CCF program to replicate it nationally as a best-practice model.

Project Strategies

- Request for Proposals—
 Thousands of FBCOs will be invited to apply for approximately 120 hours of free capacity-building assistance and subawards.
- Nine Bidders' Conferences—The conferences, covering each of Indiana's nine Congressional Districts, will offer grantseekers information on the CCF grant initiative.

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- Selection of 18 Sub-Grantees— Preference in the sub-grantee selection will go to those small FBCOs that address priority social service needs but have never received a federal grant. A total of \$360,000 will be awarded in the first year.
- Assignment of a Coach—A
 coach will provide up to 120
 hours of professional technical assistance, coordinate other
 kinds of assistance, and act as
 the primary point person for the
 organization.
- Delivery of Technical Assistance—Coordinated by the coach for each sub-awardee, assis-



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- tance will cover strategic, capacity-building issues.
- Free Two-Day Workshop:
 "Fundraising for Small
 Nonprofits"—The workshop will
 be offered to sub-grantees and
 any FBCOs serving youth and
 families in Indiana, to be held in
 8 locations around the state.
- Ongoing Future Support for Grantees—The continuing support and technical assistance will be provided through existing IYI programs.
- Evaluation—Project and sub-award evaluation will be conducted by the Center for Evaluation and Education Policy.

Grant Award Amount \$649,013